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Applicant : Boumaza et al.
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Title : METAL AND PLASTIC COMPOSITE STRUCTURE, IN
PARTICULAR FOR THE FRONT FACE OF A MOTOR
VEHICLE

RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR §1.47(a)
(when an inventor refuses to sign or cannot be reached)

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Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
Attention: Office of PCT Legal Administration

Dear Sir:

In response to the Decision on Applicants' Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a) mailed on October 31, 2007, the Applicants are submitting herewith follow-up information that the missing inventor, François Boumaza (Mr. Boumaza), still refuses to execute the application. This additional information is being required by the Legal Examiner to more clearly establish a refusal to sign by Mr. Boumaza.

Specifically, a second Declaration Establishing Facts in Accordance with 37 CFR §1.47(a) is included herewith further providing proof of the pertinent facts concerning the refusal of Mr. Boumaza to join in the present application for patent. As shown in paragraphs 11 through 15 of the second Declaration, after the September 14th, 2007 communication with Mr. Boumaza, of which he did not respond to, a second communication to follow-up with Mr. Boumaza occurred. However, after diligent efforts to follow-up with Mr. Boumaza, Mr. Boumaza still refuses execute the application, let alone respond to any of our communications with him.

The previous Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a) was already submitted along with: (1) a fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h); (2) a first Declaration Establishing Facts in Accordance with 37 CFR §1.47(a); (3) a statement of the last known address of the missing inventor; and (4) an oath or declaration by each 37 CFR 1.47(a) applicant on his or her own behalf of the non-signing joint inventor. Accordingly, in light of the previous Petition, and relying on the statements of the Legal Examiner on page two of the Decision on Applicants' Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a) mailed on October 31, 2007, it is believed that no further action is required by the Applicant for the present Renewed Petition.

In view of the foregoing, the Commissioner is hereby petitioned to accept the filing of the above-identified U.S. Patent Application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit our Deposit Account No. 08-2789 in the name of Howard & Howard for any overpayments.

Respectfully submitted,
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